

**Subject:** Re: Request Assistance with Water Run Off from Street Services Trucks Romaine (Seward/Las Palmas)  
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**Date:** 02/09/2016 10:26 AM  
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Hi Lisa,

The Bureau of Street Services is in talks with LADWP regarding having another source of water to use for our motor sweeping operations. When more of those details are available, I will certainly let you know.

In the interim, I've instructed superintendent staff to monitor the water usage at this location and to rotate the usage to other hydrants in the area.

I will also look into what repair options there are for these situations and advise all when I have that information.

Thank you for bringing this to my attention.

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On Tue, Feb 2, 2016 at 2:38 PM, Media District <[lisa@mediadistrict.org](mailto:lisa@mediadistrict.org)> wrote:

Dear Ming:

I am hoping that you will be able to assist or direct my concern regarding the use of the fire hydrant on the north side of Romaine (across from the Street Services Yard) between Las Palmas and Seward. One of the BID's largest stakeholders, Hollywood Center Studios, has informed our office that City trucks have been filling up water from the fire hydrants on the north side of the street - thus causing water runoff, debris, and now the curbs are crumbling and look in disrepair. Hollywood Center Studios maintain a standard that surrounds their properties. This continual use of the fire hydrants to fill up City trucks has become an eyesore to the Studios as well as their patrons. It is my understanding that there was an agreement in place which prohibited the City from filling up on the north side of the street. Is there another location where the trucks and fill up? Let me know who I should speak to at the Romaine yard.

Thank you

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**Subject:** Help

Hi Lisa,

I'd like your help with an issue we've been having recently.

The Street Maintenance lot across the street from us on Romaine has been filling their street cleaning trucks with water from the fire hydrants on our side of the street leaving trash and messy floods of water on the grass and curb.

My people this is leading to the crumbling of the curb. In total, it's making us and the street a less desirable place to be.

We actually made an agreement with them years ago that they wouldn't use the fire hydrants on our side of the street for this purpose.

Do you have any contacts who can ensure they continue using other sources of water?

Would be a great help.

Thank you,

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**JL Singer**

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